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a Lesson in the University of The New Covenant
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1. There's a time to do and a time to be. They are one and the same, not different, yet different for they are so intertwined. The soul is so intertwined with the spirit that it is one and the same. The doing and being are so intertwined, but different. The doing comes out of the being, but the being is composed and comprised of what we do, what we say, what we think—the seat of our authority. Being and doing are not extracurricular to the soul/spirit for the spirit/soul is subject to the prophet—the person.

2. Ted, extracurricular is not My name. One is My name. Being and doing are not separated by Me, not in the spirit realm, not in My kingdom, in your kingdom yes, in Mine, no. That's why motive is everything, almost everything—giving a cup of cold water in My name, in healing, in transcendent glory, is much more than you giving the cup of cold water without Me. A cup of cold water can be served to quench thirst even in hate, caused by requirement rather than motive.

3. Doing and being are complex for you but simple to Me, and simple for Me. My truths are not complex. I am and I act. I am one. You are and you act. You are one with your motives, but not your actions—thus the conflict and confusion.

4. Who is on your seat of authority Ted, the throne of your spirit/soul? I am. Who is on My mercy seat? You are—in Me. For I am.

5. Who is on your mercy seat Ted, you or My people—you or those around you, you—for you, or them—for Me?

6. Ted, this is of Me and not of you. These are My words to you and not your words to others. These My words are confusing to some, but light to those who are under Me, under me, under My wing, seeking of Me, asking of Me, maturing in Me.

7. Ted, I ask you again, who is on your mercy seat? Who are you giving mercy to? Who will you give mercy to? For what are you giving or withholding mercy? Mercy, mercy Ted, mercy. Why is mercy so important?

8. Oil Ted. Oil. Oil. Remember your placard, 'Kindness is the oil that takes the friction out of life'? Ted, kindness is mercy displayed. Are you getting it? The more mercy you give the more mercy you receive. Didn't I say blessed are the merciful for they shall obtain mercy? Ted, I've explained so many things that My people have missed and trampled over in a stampede to serve themselves and greed-feed their face and bellies at the expense of mercy and kindness received.

9. Ted, I reap what I sow and I sow what I reap. A law Ted. A truth, more than a principle. I sow, I reap, you sow, you reap. You want adventure—give it. You can—for all have the ability to free others in Me, if they so choose. And if they choose to freedom

others I freedom them even more. When they choose to stop freedomizing others, I stop increasing their freedom. They turn the faucet.

10. They think so little and beg for money and cry for help when on their mercy seat is only themselves. They justify all their ill-tainted motives and the actions that come out of their being with words to pacify and placate others and themselves, as they wallow in self-deception—brought about by ignoring the truths which I have so plainly proclaimed in My word.

11. They rely on their money for they want money. They worship money and justify all with My name and cover their motives—their darkened mercy seat with their own shadow only—and mercy goes wanting.

12. Oh Ted, when will My body grow up? Can you help Me mature My body? Will you stay pure or will you fall, succumb, to the accolades of beautiful and powerful words and women? Ted, mercy, mercy, mercy.

13. What are you doing with your mercy? I gave all mercy and I ask all, mercy for others. I ask mercy of My body for My body—not justice—not equity, but mercy—not in license to sin or abuse or wound or lead astray, but in common details of life and operations of My house of worship and organizations of commerce—daily life in My family, for My family Ted.

14. I want the families of My family to grant and operate, and continuously grant a continuous flow of mercy, to the others in their family, and not let arrogance take hold. Let pettiness cease. Let liberality of mercy be unleashed, un-metered. No tit-for-tat here Ted.

15. Mercy drives many things Ted, many important things. Mercy drives many other drivers and exponential effects result. Expand your mercy seat Ted, to continents and actions heretofore blasted, justified or not.

16. What will you do with your mercy Ted? Will you pour it out on the ground, as you can, or will you pour it out on your family, and My family, My people?

17. You have a mercy seat and I have a mercy seat and this is inextricably linked to your maturity in Me. So many want My blessing, My healing, My prosperity, and give so stingily to My family, even their own family. So many give ostentatiously, yet give their family their dregs. How can My body be healthy in these conditions? How can healthy reproduction thrive? It doesn't Ted.

18. You are your motives Ted, but not your actions, but all your actions affect your heart, your motives of your core, your seat of authority, and the way you grant mercy.

19. Ted, grant more mercy and **paint My mercy seat for My people, and paint their mercy seat for My people, and help them understand the exponential power of mercy.**

20. Help them understand that all their doing impacts their being, and all of their being comes through their doing.

21. So many want to do what you're doing but they haven't become My disciples. Their be-ing is deficient. Their desire to do has exceeded their discipline to become—I gave them much mercy Ted, but they must grow in mercy.

22. **Maturity requires much mercy. Preach this. Proclaim this. Propel this. Propel this for Me and maturity will increase**, for much of maturity-land, and the road to it, is befallen with surprises and rethinking and relearning of Me, and most have difficulty. Much mercy is required, so much mercy must be given.

23. Do not mistake mercy and merciful actions and hearts of mercy for meekness, called up in discernment, to reprimand or compromise not.

24. **Do not compromise My non-negotiables but extend mercy to those who have not met Mercy.**

25. Extend mercy to My lambs and to those who stand up for Me, even when they err. Don't close your eyes and compromise but confront in mercy, exponential mercy, and expert communication. Asks lots of questions and tender be.

26. My body has bashed My body so long that bruised are many, many, many in My body. Mercy brings love. Mercy brings fruit.

27. Ted, the seat of your authority must broaden for I must broaden your mercy seat and teach you much about My deep love for you, to walk in My design. You cannot get flustered, exasperated, impatient, and unmerciful, so easily, so quickly, and give way to emotional responses not of Me. **Grow up. Grow up more, more, now, and I mean now**.

28. I am accelerating what I am doing with you and I require you to accelerate your own decisions to grow and mature so you can receive Me enough to receive these I bring you, and those who will challenge you, those who will listen and learn—and then love. Increase your mercy. Accuse not. Imaginations of others motives—quell. Peace.

29. Now study My mercy seat and proceed with Me in structure and relationships I now bring you daily. You must grow and you must mature quickly, Ted, much more. Where much is given much is required. I will bring helpers to your helpers and help unlimited is yours. Increase your mercy.

30. Increase your being and do only what I tell you. Your doing must come out of your being Ted, not vice versa. Keep it straight. Keep it simple. You know your job description for I have given it to you plainly, line by line, and amplifying it and clarifying it I am, with many reminders of focus, first focus.

31. You have not time to learn technology details. You stated that correctly. Masters of technology who I flourish in the freedom you give them—hold them not back, for I hold you not back. I propel you exponentially and you do likewise with all in your power, all who let you.

32. My words, My people, Ted Me.
Mercy seat be and let them come and wounds heal.
Be Me, Me Ted. Be Me and let Me be Me.
My hand of mercy extended covers you Ted. Your hand of mercy—cover My body.

33. Be powerful, be bold, be radical, be creative, be free, for I am all these and so much more. Muted be no longer, not you, not your family.

34. Thank you for standing up and taking your pen, and taking your place.
Much fun, much joy, little sorrow.
Much mercy, much mercy, much mercy.

35. I love you. Get ready for words from Me completely different from style and grammar and diction of late. I do what I want to do and stuck in a rut I'm not.

36. I love you. Be bold. Be bold. Be bold.